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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Gillette et al.

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Serial No.: 10/643,610

Group Art Unit: 1771

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Examiner: Piziali, Andrew T.

For: **SPUNLACED LOOP MATERIAL FOR A REFASTENABLE FASTENING
DEVICE AND METHODS OF MAKING SAME**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment before examining the present application, which is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of Serial No. 10/643,610 filed August 19, 2003. Applicants provide the present Preliminary Amendment to address the issues raised in the Final Office Action ("Final Action") mailed March 11, 2005 and subsequent Advisory Action mailed April 14, 2005. Applicants provide the present Response pursuant to the rules stated in revised 37 C.F.R. 1.121 that became effective on July 30, 2003.